AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Listing of Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of the claims in the application.

1 - 2   (Cancelled)

3.   (Currently Amended) A ~~computer program product stored on a~~ computer-storage medium having computer program instructions stored thereon, the computer program instructions causing a processor to execute a method ~~and executable by a processor, the computer program product being operable~~ to enable management of information relating to a particular topic, ~~and~~ comprising:

~~program instructions for~~ compiling a database in which the information is stored, the database comprising a plurality of portions, each of the plurality of portions ~~being~~ is subdivided into sub-portions in which information is stored; and

~~program instructions for~~ linking the sub-portions of each of the plurality of portions of the database to one another in a predetermined sequential arrangement such that, when the information is stored in the sub-portions, each subsequent sub-portion in the predetermined sequential arrangement contains further information on the topic.

4.   (Currently Amended) A ~~computer program product~~ computer-storage medium as claimed in claim 3, ~~which includes~~ having computer program instructions

stored thereon for causing a processor to execute a method to enable management of information relating to a particular topic, further comprising:

establishing a user-executable navigation link from at least one sub-portion of the database to another sub-portion of the database, thereby permitting a user to navigate from said one portion to said other sub-portion[[,]]; and

the computer program product including program instructions for recording the address in the database of each sub-portion from which a navigation link is made and for returning a user to the sub-portion from which the navigation link is made, in use.

5.　　(Currently Amended) A computer program product computer-storage medium as claimed in claim 4, which includes having computer program instructions stored thereon for causing a processor to execute a method to enable management of information relating to a particular topic, further comprising displaying a view of the sub-portion from which the navigation link is made, to be displayed in the same format as it was displayed before the navigation link to another sub-portion was made.

6.　　(Currently Amended)A computer program product computer-storage medium as claimed in claim 4, which includes having computer program instructions stored thereon for causing a processor to execute a method to enable management of information relating to a particular topic, further comprising recording and displaying

title information representing each sub-portion from which the navigation link is made.

7.   (Currently Amended) A ~~computer program product~~ computer-storage medium as claimed in claim 4, ~~which includes~~ having computer program instructions stored thereon for causing a processor to execute a method to enable management of information relating to a particular topic, further comprising defining primary key expressions in information that is stored, in use, by a compiler in selected sub-portions of the database and for establishing said navigation link to said other sub-portion of the database by a user selecting said primary key expression.

8.   (Currently Amended) A ~~computer program product~~ computer-storage medium as claimed in claim 7, ~~which includes~~ having computer program instructions stored thereon for causing a processor to execute a method to enable management of information relating to a particular topic, further comprising establishing explanatory notes in which information can be entered by a compiler and for defining secondary key expressions in information that is stored, in use, by a compiler in selected sub-portions of the database and for linking each secondary key expression to a particular associated explanatory note in an arrangement wherein the selection of a primary key expression by a user will cause the associated explanatory note to be displayed.

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9.   (Currently Amended) A ~~computer program product~~ computer-storage medium as claimed in claim 8, ~~which includes~~ having computer program instructions stored thereon for causing a processor to execute a method to enable management of information relating to a particular topic, further comprising defining primary key expressions in said explanatory notes and for establishing said navigation link from primary key expressions in said explanatory notes, to predetermined sub-portions of the database.

10.   (Currently Amended) A ~~computer program product~~ computer-storage medium as claimed in claim 8, ~~which includes~~ having computer program instructions stored thereon for causing a processor to execute a method to enable management of information relating to a particular topic, further comprising defining secondary key expressions in selected explanatory notes and for linking each secondary key expression to another explanatory note.

11.   (Currently Amended) A ~~computer program product~~ computer-storage medium as claimed in claim 10, ~~which includes~~ having computer program instructions stored thereon for causing a processor to execute a method to enable management of information relating to a particular topic, further comprising establishing default explanatory notes in which information can be entered by a compiler, the program

instructions being operable to display the default explanatory note simultaneously with the information in a particular sub-portion of the database.

12.   (Currently Amended) A ~~computer program product~~ computer-storage medium as claimed in claim 8, ~~which includes~~ having computer program instructions stored thereon for causing a processor to execute a method to enable management of information relating to a particular topic, the computer-storage medium comprising a feedback component including program instructions permitting any part of the information contained in a sub-portion or explanatory note of the database, to be selected by a user and for the user's selection to be recorded.

13.   (Currently Amended) A ~~computer program product~~ computer-storage medium as claimed in claim 8, ~~which includes~~ having computer program instructions stored thereon for causing a processor to execute a method to enable management of information relating to a particular topic, the computer-storage medium comprising a monitoring component including program instructions for recording a user's selection of primary and secondary key expressions.

14.   (Currently Amended) A ~~computer program product~~ computer-storage medium as claimed in claim 4, ~~which includes~~ having computer program instructions stored thereon for causing a processor to execute a method to enable management of

information relating to a particular topic, further comprising displaying title information representing each sub-portion from which a navigation link is made so as to provide a user with a record of those sub-portions of the database from which navigation links are made.

15.   (Currently Amended) An information management product which comprises:

a computer-storage medium for storing a database component and a computer program component;

[[a]] said database component configured to store information relating to a particular topic, wherein the database component being is stored on [[a]] the computer-storage medium and comprising a plurality of portions, each of the plurality of portions configured to be are subdivided into sub-portions in which information on a particular aspect of the topic can be is stored; and

[[a]] said computer program component configured to manage the information relating to the particular topic stored by the database component, wherein the computer program component being is stored on the computer-storage medium and executable by a processor and including program instructions for linking the sub-portions of each of the plurality of portions to one another in a predetermined sequential arrangement wherein when the information is stored in the sub-portions[[,]]

<u>and</u> each subsequent sub-portion in the predetermined sequential arrangement contains further information on the topic.

16.   (Previously Presented) An information management product as claimed in claim 15, wherein the sub-portions are linked to one another in a predetermined sequential arrangement wherein each subsequent sub-portion in the sequential arrangement can contain further information on the topic.

17.   (Cancelled)

18.   (Previously Presented) A method of compiling a database of information relating to a particular topic, which includes the steps of:

compiling a plurality of portions of the database, wherein each of the plurality of portions is subdivided into a plurality of sub-portions;

linking each of the plurality of sub-portions of each of the plurality of portions of the database to one another in a predetermined sequential arrangement; and

storing the information by inserting the information in the sub-portions in an arrangement wherein each subsequent sub-portion contains further information on the topic than in an immediately preceding sub-portion to which the subsequent sub-portion is linked.

19.   (Original) A method of compiling a database of information as claimed in claim 18, which includes establishing a user-executable navigation link from at least one sub-portion of the database to another sub-portion of the database, thereby permitting a user to navigate from said one portion to said other sub-portion; and for recording the address in the database of each sub-portion from which a navigation link is made and for returning a user to the sub-portion from which a navigation link is made.

20.   (Original) A method of compiling a database of information as claimed in claim 19, which includes displaying a view of the sub-portion from which the navigation link is made, in the same format as it was displayed before the navigation link to another sub-portion was made.

21 - 28 (Cancelled)